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1 [Bell: bit-encoding online memory leak detection](#)



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Memory leaks compromise availability and security by crippling performance and crashing programs. Leaks are difficult to diagnose because they have no immediate symptoms. Online leak detection tools benefit from storing and reporting per-object *sites* (e.g., allocation sites) for potentially leaking objects. In programs with many small objects, per-object sites add high space overhead, limiting their use in production environments. This paper introduces *Bit-Encoding Leak Location* (Be ...

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2 [Optimally profiling and tracing programs](#)



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This paper describes algorithms for inserting monitoring code to profile and trace programs. These algorithms greatly reduce the cost of measuring programs with respect to the commonly used technique of placing code in each basic block. Program profiling counts the number of times each basic block in a program executes. Instruction tracing records the sequence of basic blocks traversed in a program execution. The algorithms optimize the placement of counting/tracing code with respect to the ...

Keywords: control-flow graph, instruction tracing, instrumentation, profiling